

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-12 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-5 and 12 have been allowed. Claims 6-11 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), Applicant has cancelled claims 6-11. Thus, because this amendment cancels all rejected subject matter, the Applicant respectfully requests the amendment be submitted by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, Applicant believes that claims 1-5 and 12 are in condition for allowance and Applicant respectfully requests allowance of such claims.

If any issues remain that may be expeditiously addressed in a telephone interview, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 515/558-0200.

All fees or extensions of time believed to be due in connection with this response are attached hereto; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 50-2098.

Respectfully submitted,



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